

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
	Daniel F. Justin et al.)
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For:	METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A)
	TUNNEL THROUGH A PROXIMAL END OF A TIBIA)
Examiner:	James L. Swiger III)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated September 17, 2008, in the above-identified patent application be extended for one month until January 17, 2009.

Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any of the following fees that may be applicable to this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-3178: (1) any filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16; (2) any patent application and reexamination processing fees

under 37 CFR § 1.17; and/or (3) any post issuance fees under 37 CFR § 1.20. In addition, if any additional extension of time is required, which has not otherwise been requested, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 20th day of January 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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